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SUBJECT: LIBYAN PRESS ON "SUSPICIOUS" SIXTH FLEET VISITS  
TO SOUTHERN MED PORTS

1. THE MARCH 3 PRESS FEATURES AN ITEM, DATELINED  
TUNIS, WHICH COMMENTS ON SIXTH FLEET VISITS TO MED  
PORTS AS FOLLOWS: " IN RECENT DAYS, UNITS  
OF THE U.S. SIXTH FLEET HAVE BEEN MAKING SUSPICIOUS MOVE-  
MENTS AND VISITS TO A NUMBER OF MEDITERRANEAN PORTS IN  
A MUSCLE-FLEXING DISPLAY BEFORE THE PEOPLES OF THE REGION  
WHICH IS A SHRILL THREAT TO RIGHT OF THESE PEOPLES  
TO LIVE IN FREEDOM AND FAITH."

2. THE HOOK OF THE STORY IS A REPORT FROM TUNIS OF THE  
VISIT OF THE SAN DIEGO TO TUNISIAN PORTS. OTHER INSTANCES  
CITED ARE VISITS BY SIXTH FLEET SHIPS TO LA GOULETTE  
LAST DECEMBER, TO BIZERTE LAST MAY, AND TO ALEXANDRIA  
IN OCTOBER AND JUNE. IT CLOSES WITH THE STATEMENT THAT  
"OBSERVERS ARE ASKING THEMSELVES ABOUT THE REAL  
AIMS CONCEALED BEHIND THE SUSPICIOUS MOVEMENTS,  
PARTICULARLY AT A TIME WHEN THE ARAB HOMELAND FROM  
THE OCEAN TO THE GULF IS WITNESSING FATEFUL EVENTS  
AND REVOLUTIONARY CONTRADICTIONS FACED WITH THE  
PLOTS OF IMPERIALISM AND REACTION".

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